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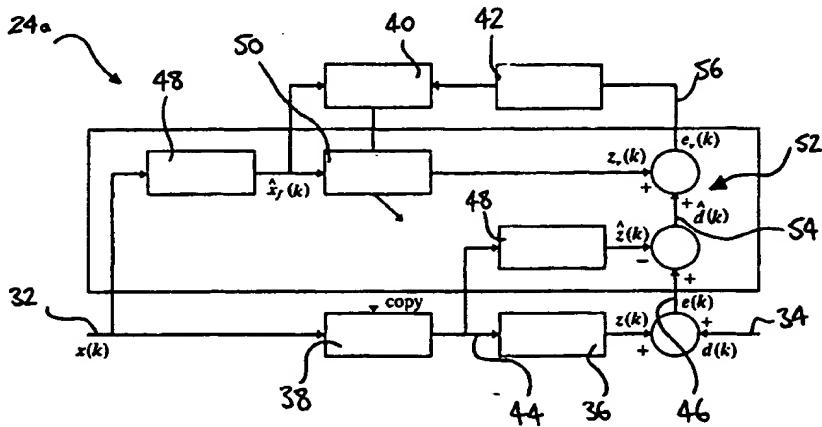
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(54) Title: NOISE REDUCTION APPARATUS



(57) Abstract

A noise reduction apparatus (10) for an enclosure (12) is disclosed, comprising error sensors (22a, 22b) to generate an error signal (46), reference sensors (22a, 22b, 22c), a controller (24) having a reference signal conditioning circuit (24c) to produce a reference signal (32) from the reference sensors (22a, 22b, 22c), the controller (24) being responsive to the reference signal (32) to produce a control signal (44); transducers (26a, 26b) responsive to the control signal (44) to reduce noise in the enclosure (12) near the error sensors (22a, 22b). The controller (12) comprises a first controller (38) responsive to the reference signal (32) to produce the control signal (44) for the transducers (26a, 26b), a plant model (48) responsive to the reference signal (32) to produce a signal input to a second controller (50), signal generating circuit (52) for producing a further error signal (56) from the output of the second controller (50), the output of the first controller (38) and the error signal (46), and an adaptive LMS system (40) responsive to the further error signal (56) to adjust the parameters of the first and second controllers (38, 50) simultaneously. The controller (24) allows fast convergence rates compared with filtered-X controllers. A shaping filter (42) is provided to allow a user to adjust the attenuation characteristics of the controller (42) to suit his or her preference.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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G10K 11/178Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 5758311 A (Tsuji et al.) 26 May 1998	1 - 3, 13 - 15
X	GB 2282933 A (Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha) 19 April 1995	1 - 3, 13 - 15
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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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I. Basis of the report

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V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**1. Statement**

Novelty (N)	Claims 1 - 24	YES
	Claims	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1 - 24	YES
	Claims	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1 - 24	YES
	Claims	NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)Citations:

- a) US 5758311
- b) GB 2282933

Novelty (N) and Inventive Step (IS):

Neither of the above citations disclose or even suggest the invention as claimed.